

Minutes of Land Use, Parks and Environment Committee
Tuesday, June 21, 2011

Chair Fritz Ruf called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Fritz Ruf (Chair), Walter Kolb, Michael Inda, Ted Rolfs, Rob Hutton, Tom Schellinger. **Absent:** James Jeskewitz.

Also Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Legislative Associate Karen Phillips, Planning and Zoning Manager Jason Fruth, Land Information Systems Manager Don Dittmar, Parks and Land Use Director Dale Shaver, Tom Laska of the Town of Waukesha.

Approve Minutes of May 17, 2011

MOTION: Rolfs moved, second by Schellinger, to approve the minutes of May 17, 2011.
Motion carried 5-0.

Hutton arrived at 8:32 a.m.

Executive Committee Report of June 20, 2011

Ruf highlighted the items discussed at the June 20th Executive Committee meeting. The Committee heard a presentation of the 2011 Waukesha County Central Fleet Audit and several appointments and ordinances were approved.

Legislative Update

Spaeth stated the State Assembly and Senate finished their work on the budget and it will now move on to the governor for his signature. She provided an update on the County's top five budget priorities that were discussed with legislators at the May 2nd Executive Committee meeting.

- Income Maintenance – The governor's budget proposed a \$1.27 million levy decrease; however, the current budget restored the funding, but also requires all counties except Milwaukee to form into 10 multi-county consortia no later than October 1, 2011. Further details of operation and guidelines are unknown at this time.
- General Transportation Aid – The governor proposed a \$725,000 cut. Joint Finance redid the formula, reducing the cut to \$300,000 and added in changes, which would have been advantageous for the County; however, the Assembly took away those changes and went back to the original \$725,000 cut.
- Family Care – A cap has been placed on enrollment. Emergency cases, determined by the court, must be funded by the County. A statewide amount of \$12.6 million has been added for emergency cases as determined by DHS (Department of Health Services).
- Recycling Program – The full funding has been restored (\$1.3 million for the County).
- Youth Aids – The formula was adjusted. The funding cut will now be around \$425,000 instead of \$389,000. Ethan Allen School will be closed; the County rate for juveniles at Lincoln Hills increased about \$7 per day.

Spaeth also discussed a "wrap-up motion" which included an increase in the small claims threshold from \$5,000 to \$10,000 but did not increase the filing fee. In relation to Act 10, protective, non-represented employees have now been exempted and will not be required to make pension contributions. Waukesha County will now see less than anticipated savings.

Future Meeting Date

- July 19, 2011

Resolution 166-R-002: Adopt The Regional Water Supply Plan For Southeastern Wisconsin: 2035

Shaver gave a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation on the Regional Water Supply Plan, highlighting the key points impacting Waukesha County. The plan concept, background, components and recommendation summary were thoroughly reviewed. Shaver answered questions raised by the Committee throughout the presentation and provided additional technical details of the plan relating to various municipalities within the County. He stated that the Regional Water Supply Plan is consistent with the County Development Plan and requested that the County Board adopt the plan.

MOTION: Rolfs moved, second by Inda, to approve Resolution 166-R-002. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance 166-O-20: Amend The Waukesha County Shoreland And Floodland Protection Ordinance District Zoning Map Of The Village Of Mukwonago By Conditionally Rezoning Certain Lands Located In Part Of The NE 1/4 Of Section 36, T5N, R18E, Village Of Mukwonago, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, From The A-P Agricultural Land Preservation And A-1 Agricultural Districts To The B-P Mixed Use Business Park District (SVZ-1717)

Fruth pointed out the location of the subject property on an overhead map. The 16.4 acre property is located in a business park development, south of I-43 and east of STH 83, in the Village of Mukwonago. Approximately 1.4 acres would go from the A-1 district to B-P (mixed use business park) district. The land was previously divided for development purposes and is presently farmed. Fruth further described the surrounding land uses within the development, which include Walmart, Home Depot and a medical clinic. The rezone is being requested to accommodate a proposed YMCA and to allow for subdivision of lands.

Planning and Zoning staff recommended this rezone request be approved, with the condition that a minimum 75-foot setback be maintained from the 100-year floodplain that was previously identified on the adjacent lands to the east. The project, as conditioned, conforms to both the County Development Plan and the Shoreland and Floodland Protection Ordinance.

MOTION: Inda moved, second by Kolb, to approve Ordinance 166-O-020. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance 166-O-025: Amend The Code Of Ordinances Of Waukesha County By Creating Two New Sections Providing For The Establishment Of A Land Information Council, Assigning Duties Of A Land Information Office, And Repealing Section 6-26

Dittmar noted the Executive Committee amended this ordinance. He explained that this ordinance brings the County into compliance with a new State statute. The statute requires that if a county has a land information office, a land information council must review the priorities, needs, policies and expenditures of the land information office. The ordinance creates two new sections in the Waukesha County Code, creating a land information council and designating the duties of the Department of Parks and Land Use and the Register of Deeds regarding land information projects. With the establishment of the land information council, the County land advisory board (which was never created) is abolished. Enrolled Ordinance 155-99 (that created the land information advisory board) and Section 6-26 of the County code are repealed by this ordinance.

Dittmar reviewed the designated membership requirements of the land information council. The eight members appointed would include a County Board Supervisor, the Land Information Officer (Dittmar), the Department of Emergency Preparedness Director, the County Surveyor, the Register of Deeds, the County Treasurer, a representative of the Real Property Lister function, and a realtor or a member of the Realtors Association employed in the County. The council would meet once a year and serve in an

advisory capacity. The council would not have authority over the budget. Inda asked whether there would be a possible conflict of interest with the realtor member having some financial interest. Dittmar that since there is no real budgetary impact, there most likely would not be an issue; however, the possibility of any conflict of interest would be monitored.

MOTION: Rolfs moved, second by Inda, to approve Ordinance 166-O-025. Motion carried 6-0.

Rolfs left at 9:55 a.m.

Presentation on Waukesha County's Sustainability Work

Shaver gave a PowerPoint presentation which outlined the progress of Waukesha County's sustainability efforts, beginning with the development of a comprehensive sustainability plan in 2008. The plan focuses on five key areas including Building Design and Operation, Grounds and Site Management, Land Use and Environment, Purchasing, and Transportation. The updated 2010-2014 plan is based on return on investment (ROI) decisions. Energy saving projects initiated under the sustainability plan were highlighted, including:

- HVAC and lighting upgrades in the ice arenas
- Roadway lighting upgrades including LED signal heads and LED luminaries (street lights)
- Interior lighting - motion detectors installed in various facilities
- Law Enforcement Center and Exposition Center light fixture upgrades
- Exterior lighting – LED replacement of parking lot lights at Expo Center – other government campus parking lot lighting will be done by year end, mostly funded through the Energy Efficiency Block Grant
- Heating Systems upgrades – Courthouse chiller replacement and Northview, Juvenile Center, and Courthouse boiler replacements
- Geothermal installation at Retzer Nature Center.
- Highway substation upgrades - lighting and HVAC controls
- Solar hot water in the County Jail
- Law Enforcement Center – water-condensing units replaced with air-cooled units saving water consumption
- Plumbing Upgrades, including installation of low-flow toilets, and ozone generated washing machines in the Jail and Huber facility.

The County will continue its sustainability efforts, pursuing those projects with a short-term ROI and Focus on Energy incentives/rebates. A future capital project may be requested to fund additional energy projects in the next few years. Shaver stated he would come back periodically with updates.

In the absence of objections, the meeting adjourned 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Jeskewitz,
Secretary